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Date: December 30, 2003 Docket No. SMS920010002-US2 First inventor: Mark Verdi

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Sir:

This is a request for filing a [] continuation [X] divisional	
[] continuation-in-part under 37 C.F.R. 1.53(b) of pending prior appl	lication
Serial No. 09/522,162 filed on March 9, 2000 of Mark Verdi, et al.	for
COMPUTERIZED KNOWLEDGE BROKERAGE SYSTEM .	
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- 2. [] As last amended, the name of applicant has been changed to
- 3. [X] Enclosed is [X] a copy of the oath or declaration as filed in the \mathfrak{P} prior application or [] a new oath or declaration.
- 4. [X] The filing fee is calculated below:

Claims as filed in this application	Number <u>Filed</u>	Number <u>Extra</u>		<u>Rate</u>	\$	Basic Fee 770.00
Total Claims	16- 20 =	0	Х	\$18	=	0.00
Independent Claims	2-3 =	0	X	\$86	=	336.00
Multiple Dependent C	laims, if any (\$290)			=	
Total Filing Fe	e				\$	1086.00

- 5. [X] Charge any fees which may be required, except for the Issue Fee, or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 50-0629.
- 6. [X] Cancel in this application original Claims <u>2-10 and 12</u> of the prior application before calculating the filing fee.
- 7. [X] Amend the specification by inserting before the first line the sentence: This is a [] continuation [X] division [] continuation-in-part of application Serial No. 09/522,162, filed March 9, 2000.
- 8. [] Priority of application Serial No. ______, filed on _____ in _____ is claimed under 35 U.S.C. 119.
- 9. [X] The certified copy of the priority application has been filed in prior application Serial No. , filed _____.
- 10. [] An appointment of associates is enclosed.
- 11. [X] Address all future communications to <u>Anne Vachon Dougherty.</u> 3173 Cedar Road, Yorktown Heights, N.Y. 10598.
- 12. [X] A preliminary amendment to this application is enclosed.
- 13. [] Enter in this application the amendment under 37 C.F.R. 1.116 which was unentered in the prior application.

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